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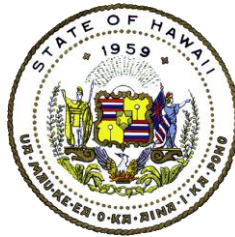
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Joy	Dept of Public Safety / Director Nolan Espinda	Comments Only	Yes

Comments: PSD supports the intnt of HCR0010. If you have any questions, please contact Joy @ #7-3479 or Joan @ #7-1350. Thanks, jw

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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 10
REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO REVIEW AND REPORT ON STATE
CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES' LEAVE POLICIES AND CORRECTIONAL
OFFICERS' LEAVE USAGE RATES

By

Nolan P. Espinda, Director
Department of Public Safety

House Committee on Public Safety
Representative Gregg Takayama, Chair
Representative Kyle T. Yamashita, Vice Chair

Thursday, March 5, 2015, 10:00 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 309

Chair Takayama, Vice Chair Yamashita, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) supports the intent of House Concurrent Resolution (HCR) 10.

The PSD is mandated to administer programs according to Federal and State statutes (FMLA, SFLA, etc.) and collective bargaining agreements between the State and the public employee unions.

The proposed audit will provide the PSD with an external set of eyes to evaluate our current practices to assist in resolving various issues of concern.

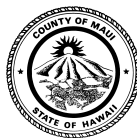
Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

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March 3, 2015

TO: The Honorable Gregg Takayama, Chair
Committee on Public Safety

FROM: Gladys C. Baisa
Councilmember

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Gladys C. Baisa".

SUBJECT: HEARING OF MARCH 5, 2015; TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HCR 10,
RELATING TO STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES' LEAVE POLICIES
AND LEAVE USAGE RATES

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this important measure. The purpose of this measure is to request the auditor to review and report on state correctional facilities' leave policies and correctional officers' leave usage rates.

I support this measure for the following reasons:

1. Numerous allegations have been made in the media concerning alleged abuses of sick leave by correctional officers, leading to operational problems and increased costs to the State.
2. Abuse of sick leave by correctional officers can cause critical staffing shortages in correctional facilities forcing the use of overtime by remaining staff members.
3. The Department of Public Safety released numerous postings on its website throughout 2014 stating that visitation days for inmates were cancelled at multiple correctional facilities statewide due to staffing shortages.

For the foregoing reasons, I support this measure.

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Comments: We STRONGLY SUPPORT this bill, as it is finally an attempt to be mindful of the tax payer & the misuse of tax payer money by public servants. This bill also helps to give the proper authorities the tools they need to figure out how best to reign in abuses in the system, that cost unnecessary loss of tax payer dollars. Passing this bill is the right thing to do, and sends a message to tax payers that this legislative body is concerned with waste of tax payer dollars.

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Rep. Gregg Takayama, Chair

Rep. Kyle Yamashita, Vice Chair

Thursday, March 5, 2015

10:00 a.m.

Room 309

SUPPORT for HCR 10 – Audit of Correctional Facilities Leave Policies & Usage Rates

Aloha Chair Takayama, Vice Chair Yamashita and Members of the Committee!

My name is Kat Brady and I am the Coordinator of Community Alliance on Prisons, a community initiative promoting smart justice policies for almost two decades. This testimony is respectfully offered on behalf of the almost 6,000 Hawai'i individuals under the custody of the Department of Public Safety, always mindful that more than 1,600 (and soon to be rising number) of Hawai'i individuals who are serving their sentences abroad, thousands of miles away from their loved ones, their homes and, for the disproportionate number of incarcerated Native Hawaiians, far, far from their ancestral lands. 4

HCR 10 requests the auditor to review and report on state correctional facilities' leave policies and correctional officers' leave usage rates.

Community Alliance on Prisons supports this resolution. It is important for the state to have documentation of problems and to consider these things when negotiating contracts. CAP supports the rights of all workers, including the rights of those impacted by the actions of their colleagues.

There is much work to be done at the Department of Public Safety to build a professional team. It is crucial that the department be led by a person who possesses the skills to bring people together to work collaboratively for a common goal.

Community Alliance on Prisons supports all efforts to build a system that rehabilitates individuals who have lost their way (as well as for those who have never found it), prepares those in their "custody and care" for successful transition back to their communities, and protects the public from those who cause harm to others.

Mahalo for this opportunity to testify.

It is not enough that we do our best; sometimes we must do what is required."

Winston Churchill

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Lisa Jaramillo	Individual	Support	No

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E. Ileina Funakoshi	Individual	Support	No

Comments: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE Gregg Takayama, Chair Kyle T. Yamashita, Vice Chair March 5, 2015, 10:00 am, Room 309 SUPPORT OF HCR 10 Dear Chair Gregg Takayama, Vice Chair Kyle Yamashita and Committee Members: Thank you for your interest in requesting information on the frequent cancellation of visitations at our prisons due to the absence of the guards. The Public Safety Department is such a large institution it seems to be difficult to oversee many aspects of its operation. May this just be the beginning of unfolding some of the problems that exists so the legislators and the public can help to work together to correct these problems. Thank you, again, for caring about our incarcerated ohana. Mahalo and Aloha, e. ileina funakoshi

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